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NEMA, FEMA Holding Free Safe Room Workshops in Pilger Next Week

LINCOLN, Nebraska – The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency have scheduled two workshops in Pilger next week to provide residents with critical information as the community rebuilds following the June 16 tornadoes. In coordination with the Village of Pilger, the events will be held Thursday, Aug. 7 and Saturday, Aug. 9.

"The people of Pilger and Stanton County have a resilient spirit," said Pilger Town Clerk Kimberly Neiman. "We're cleaning up and rebuilding as fast as we can. And as we rebuild our homes and businesses, it's important that we take this opportunity to rebuild safer and stronger to protect our lives and property from future disasters."

During each workshop, a FEMA safe room expert will give a presentation to explain what safe rooms are, how they are built and how they can protect residents from future storms. The events are taking place in close coordination with the Village of Pilger.

"These workshops will be beneficial to the entire community as the recovery process continues," said NEMA Assistant Director Bryan Tuma. "Safe rooms are one of the best investments residents can make when building or rebuilding their homes and businesses."

In addition to the presentation on safe rooms, attendees will get the opportunity to talk one-on-one with FEMA experts on safe rooms and other mitigation topics. Free publications on how to build safe rooms and other information will also be available.

The workshops will take place at the following location **Thursday, Aug. 7, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 9, from 10 a.m. to noon:**

St. Peter's Lutheran Church 230 Madison St. Pilger, NE 68768

Anyone interested in learning about safe rooms and other mitigation topics is invited to attend either of the two workshops. Additional mitigation workshops in other Nebraska locations will be announced in the coming days and weeks.

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